Author's response to reviews

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The BMC Series Editorial Production Team
Re: MS: 2986655345032012
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We are very grateful for your letter of June 1, 2011 concerning this manuscript, and the offer to allow us to check and make some changes in accordance with the comments of the BMC Series Editorial Production Team. We are pleased to submit a substantially revised manuscript together with a point-by-point description of the changes made.

We appreciate this opportunity to submit a revised manuscript and trust that you will find it sufficiently improved to justify publication in BMC infectious diseases.

Yours Sincerely
Yuemin Nan (on behalf of the authors).

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Major revisions
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Response: We have added a tables section following the references in the manuscript.

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Response: We have checked the manuscript carefully, and found no typographical errors.